

Tomb reliquaries and their Czech monument reliquary of Saint Maurus

Abstract

Bachelor thesis presents tomb reliquaries as a unique group of reliquaries. It describes one of the representative of this group, reliquary of st. Maurus. It pursues its history which began in Belgian city Florennes and continued in Bečov nad Teplou with dramatic process. Reliquary of st. Maurus didn't see daylight for forty years, it was found in 1985. Thesis describes its extensive iconographic program which reminds us life stories of st. Maurus, st. Timotej, st. Apollinaire and st. John the Baptist. It pursues complicated restoration of reliquary st. Maurus which was exposed in Bečov chateau in 2002. Thesis describes Aachen reliquary of Charlemagne and tries to compare these two reliquaries. Marginally thesis mentions about comparison with others tomb reliquaries.